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MEMORANDUM FOR:

John W. HANES Jr.

Administrator

Bureau of Security and Consular Affairs

ATTENTION:

Mr. John W. Sipes

SUBJECT:

Passport Legislation

- 1. Reference is made to the discussion in early December 1959 between the Secretary of State and the Director of CIA relative to activities abroad of American Communists who received passports after the Supreme Court decision in the Kent and Dayton cases. Reference is further made to my conversations with Mr. John W. Sipes of your office beginning on 8 December 1959 in which we discussed the type of information which might be pertinent to the consideration by Congress of appropriate legislation relative to the issuance of passports to members of the Communist Party.
- 2. Our files reflect travel by numerous members of the Communist Party, U.S.A. who have secured passports after July 1958. There are numerous instances of Communists who have attended meetings of international fronts of the Communist Party, who have contacted members of foreign Communist Parties and who have gone to foreign Communist Party offices.
- 3. There is attached the Maurice Hyman HALPERIN, Paul NOVIK, David MATIS, Abraham BICK, Dr. W. E. B. DU BOIS, Mrs. Shirley DU BOIS (Shirley GRAHAM), and Mr. James E. JACKSON, Jr. cases which in our opinion are the more notorious recent instances where U. S. passports were used to further the interest of the Soviet Union or the International Communist movement.

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- 4. These attachments are classified SEGRET. However, the vast majority of the information contained in the memoranda can be declassified. You may use this material as you see fit. However, if you desire the declassification of any of this material, we will be glad to review it to determine what parts will have to be removed prior to declassification. The attachments were prepared with the viewpoint that only a minimum of editing will be required for their declassification.
- 5. Please advise if CIA can be of any further assistance to you in this matter.

FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTION (PLANS)



Attachments:

Maurice Hyman HALPERIN Paul NOVIK, David MATIS, Abraham BICK Dr. W. E. B. DU BOIS and Mrs. DU BOIS (Shirley GRAHAM) Mr. James E. JACKSON, Jr.

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